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We verily believe we are the original, first and joint inventors of the invention entitled:

MEAT PROCESSING SCHEME (Docket No. SPT 0009 PA), described and claimed

_____ in the attached specification;
 X in the specification filed May 25, 2001, as U.S. Application Serial No.
09/866,565, and as amended _____.

We hereby authorize the attorney(s) and/or agent(s) appointed herein to indicate above whether the invention is described and claimed in an attached specification and to provide the Filing Date and Serial No. of the corresponding U.S. Application, if previously filed.

We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims as filed and as amended by any amendment referred to above.

We acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Patent and Trademark Office all information known to us to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a).

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